

MILITARY AND MONARCHIST REACTION GROWS IN BERLIN

Rapidly Overshadowing the New Government According to Report.

PRESENT HEADS MERELY PUPPETS

Members of Military Caste Appear As Organizers of New Army.

London, March 17—Special despatches from Berlin report that the suppression of the recent Spartacist outbreak there has shown that a military and monarchist reaction is growing and overshadowing the new government.

The Berlin correspondent of the Mail, who on February 27, sent a despatch outlining plans for a monarchist uprising in Germany, has arrived in London, having left Berlin on March 14 after a residence there of three months.

He reiterates that President Ebert, Chancellor Schulerberg and Minister of War Noske are merely puppets. He declares that for the purpose of retaining power they have allowed members of the military caste to reappear as organizers of the new republican armies.

"These men are the real governors of Germany," he says. They make the edicts and Chancellor Schulerberg and his colleagues willingly sign them.

Similar testimony is given by other correspondents in telegraphing from Berlin, some stating that the capture of the suburb of Lichtenberg has been intentionally prolonged to exterminate the Spartacists whose treatment by government troops is said to be sharply condemned.

While alleged atrocities are attributed to the Spartacists, details which have been given are doubted or denied. Even the Vorwarts admits there to be much exaggeration. The correspondents concur in the statement that extreme bitterness has been created against the government troops and that further trouble is inevitable.

According to a despatch to the Mail, the Spartacist revolt will certainly recur in ever-increasing force unless a miracle happens. It adds that Herr Noske has been recruited by bribes and promises of big rations and that to this may be attributed some of the food shortages in Berlin.

LETTSCH TROOPS CAPTURE TOWNS

Bolsheviki in Northeastern Courland Are Retreating in Panic.

Copenhagen, March 17—Lettsch troops have advanced towards Mitau and captured the towns of Kandava and Zabelen, according to an official statement issued by the Lettsch headquarters. The advance continues, the statement says, and the Bolsheviki in Northeastern Courland are threatened with having their retreat to Mitau and Riga cut off. They are reported to be retreating in panic.

A despatch from Berlin quotes Libau advises that the Bolsheviki have been seriously defeated in the district between Kovno and Vilna and that the important railroad running from Koenigsberg to Schaulen has been captured.

Stockholm, March 16—The Lettsch offensive in the Mitau region is developing successfully, the Lettsch captured Shagory, Greshof, Wietfeld and All Aulz. The Lettsch minister has left the English military mission at Libau and has gone to the front.

The foregoing despatch appears to indicate that the Lettsch troops are making gains southwest of Mitau, the center of the line running from Windau to the Kovno-Vilna region.

ENTER SUIT ON TOLL RATES

Washington, March 17—Authority of Postmaster General Burleson to increase telephone rates throughout the country is to be determined by the Supreme Court, which today granted the state of Kansas permission to institute original proceedings against the postmaster general, questioning the validity of his order of December 13 last, establishing new toll rates.

The court ordered that a return be made in the case at the next term in October.

DR. RENNER NEW CHANCELLOR OF GERMAN AUSTRIA

Copenhagen, March 17—The new German-Austrian government, according to a telegram from Vienna, includes Dr. Renner as chancellor, Herr Jodofink as vice chancellor, Herr Schumpeter as minister of finance, Dr. Julius Amsler of war, Otto Bauer as minister of Socialization. Herr Bauer also continues temporarily as minister of foreign affairs.

The National Assembly has passed bills relative to Parliament and the state government and has also approved a measure calling for the socialization of the latter.

Alpine Hotel Murderess Has Husband Living Here

Dead Man Also Married—Shot When He Refused to Wed—Woman Claims Self-Defense.

That Fannie Sachosky, who shot and killed Nicholas Deckovsky at the Alpine hotel last Saturday night, had a husband who was jealous of the dead man, was brought out at the inquest before Coroner Phelan this morning. It was also learned that the accused had been imploring Deckovsky to marry her on the ground that he was the father of her child, but the dead man had refused, telling her that he could not marry her because she already had a husband and he had a wife in Russia.

The woman told Capt. Cronan at police headquarters this morning that Deckovsky drew a revolver during last talk at the hotel Saturday night and threatened to shoot her. She said she secured the weapon after a struggle and shot him in self-defense.

The greatest amount of information was secured from John Mewar of 227 Shelton street, who said he was a friend of the victim. He testified he had known the accused and her husband, Constantine Sachosky, for about six years. They formerly lived in South River, N. J., but came to this city about 1912.

The witness said Deckovsky had a wife in Russia but had been in this city for several years. He declared Deckovsky, who had been boarding in a Summer street house, decided to change his board to a place a few months ago and went to board at the Sachosky home.

Mewar said he was told by Constantine Sachosky two or three weeks ago that he intended to get a divorce because of his wife's fondness for Deckovsky. The witness had also heard that the accused and her husband had frequent disputes about the dead man.

A few weeks ago the witness declared Deckovsky told him the accused had threatened to shoot him unless he married her. Deckovsky said he told the woman he could not marry her because she had a husband and he had a wife. But the accused insisted that he marry her.

Manager William R. Hogan of the Alpine hotel said he heard a noise upstairs about 10 o'clock Saturday night. He sent a clerk to see what the trouble was. The clerk returned and said, "There's a murder or a suicide up there." Hogan then went to an upstairs room and found Deckovsky on the floor covered with blood.

Mrs. Sachosky was seated on the floor near the body. Hogan said she was in response to questions by the witness she replied, "He shot me and I shot, too. He wanted to kill me. I got a baby and he don't pay." Hogan declared the victim was unconscious when she did not regain consciousness before he died.

Charles J. Berger, owner of the hotel, identified Mrs. Sachosky as the woman who registered about 6 p. m. on Saturday with the dead man.

Captain Cronan of the local Detective Bureau was clothed with Fannie Sachosky, the 23 year old murderess of Nicholas Deckovsky, 33, of 107 Gilbert street, this morning for several hours. The woman maintains that Deckovsky has been a lover of hers for the past several years and that on his account her husband has left her many times. Some time ago she appealed to the Charities Department and Deckovsky was placed under her care. She said she had a child who is now four years of age. Although Deckovsky has never been regular in his allowances he became the father of another child. Recently the woman had again appealed to the Charities Department to enforce the non-support complaint.

Deckovsky was about to be apprehended by the police. He met the woman on Saturday afternoon and ended up to the Alpine Hotel where he attempted to force her into making false statements in favor of him to the police. The woman told Deckovsky that she would not favor him and that she expected him to care for her and the children. She said that he then drew a revolver which he dropped to the floor during the struggle which followed. She picked up the gun and in self-defense shot her assailant.

Frank Leach, night clerk at the hotel, identified the revolver from which the shots which killed Deckovsky were fired.

He did not know how many cartridges were in the weapon when he saw it in the room. The witness testified Deckovsky was lying in a pool of blood. The woman said to the witness, "He tried to kill me and I shot him."

Medical Examiner S. M. Garlick told the coroner there were five wounds in the victim's body. The bullet that caused death entered behind the right ear.

Mrs. Sachosky was brought to the coroner's office this afternoon but it was announced that she would not be called to testify until later in the day. She was accompanied by a man and a woman. The accused displayed no evidence of grief but appeared very calm. It is not expected that the coroner will give a finding in the case for several days.

CHINESE FEEL ALARM OVER SOVIET REPORT

Peking, Wednesday, March 13—(By The Associated Press) The Chinese government is alarmed over a report from Petrograd relative to the formation of a Chinese workingmen's organization, with sixty thousand members, to carry on revolutionary propaganda and establish Soviets in China. The authorities are making inquiries as to effective measures to check such activities.

CRISIS EXPECTED City Engineer James A. McElroy is still very ill at his home. The crisis is expected in a few hours.

SEEK 44 HOUR WEEK TO MAKE JOBS GO FURTHER

Following a conference held last week in Boston of the business agents and organizers of the International Machine Union from the New England states, a drive is on in Bridgeport and other cities to get a forty-four hour week.

The conference decided that if the men would agree to work only forty-four hours a week, employers would be open to a number of men now out of work. Meetings will be called in the different shops to get the sentiment of the men on the matter when definite action will be taken.

In this city there are now about 4,000 members of the union and a drive is on to increase the number. National Organizer Robert Woodward from Davenport, Iowa, is in the city to push the matter and is expected to get 5,000 new members by May 1.

BOLSHEVIKI LOSE HEAVILY

Deliver Unsuccessful Attack to Cut Line of Communication.

Archangel, March 17—The futile attack which the Bolsheviki delivered Saturday on the Allied and American forces compelled the first serious attempt to cut the line of communications of the Divin and Vaga columns. The Bolsheviki suffered a severe defeat and heavy losses.

Moving toward Kadiash-Tarevo sector, the First Battalion of the Sixth Soviet Regiment, five hundred strong, attacked at 1:45 o'clock in the afternoon the Allied positions in the village of Gorok, which is 25 miles north of Berezka, at the junction of the Vaga and the Divin. The American-Russian detachment at Gorok was well entrenched and decisively repulsed the enemy, capturing five prisoners and five machine guns. After the attack the bodies of 57 Bolsheviki were found. The Allied force suffered only one casualty, a man wounded.

The Vaga sector, in the vicinity of Klina, is quiet, as are the other fronts.

American officers who returned today from the Vaga front declared that the Bolsheviki suffered exceedingly heavy losses last week. In one instance, after the enemy had raised with artillery fire nearly all the block houses of Vaga, all the defensive troops withdrew except a squad of Americans who lay concealed in a partly destroyed block house, with machine guns. The enemy scouts advanced, cut the barbed wire entanglement, and shouted back to their comrades that the village had been abandoned. When the first column of the Bolsheviki walked unsuspectingly up to the entanglements the Americans inside the block house turned their machine guns loose and mowed down the entire enemy party. After this the defensive forces went back into Vaga.

Of the total of thirty-six Americans listed as missing since the beginning of hostilities on this front it has been reported that ten are prisoners in the Bolsheviki hospital at Velsk.

SAWING WOOD FOR SOUVENIRS EX-KAISER NOW

Amerongen, Holland, Saturday, Mar 15—(By The Associated Press) Former Emperor William today completed sawing into logs his thousandth tree since he took refuge at Count von Bentler's estate here last fall. From the thousandth tree a few logs were converted into souvenirs of achievement and marked in red ink with the inscription "W. 2." These were presented to members of the Bentler family and to those who have assisted the ex-emperor in his work during the past few weeks.

Expert sawyers of the neighborhood compute the value of the wages which Herr Hohenzollern would have earned if he had been a laborer. The rate at about \$30 for the whole period, or an average of 50 cents per working day, which usually consists of three hours.

ENGLAND'S ACTION CAUSES FRANCE TO BUY IN AMERICA

Paris, Sunday, March 16—Discussing the rise in the rate of exchange between the pound sterling, which has been near 160 per cent, during the last two days, the financial editor of the Journal des Debats says:

"If the British government considers that it no longer is possible to accord France direct advances nor extend equivalent resources in other form, France will be obliged to purchase elsewhere in countries which are prepared to open her credits for her, notably the United States which can supply everything now received from England, even coal."

The writer contends the cost will be greater in France, as a final settlement would come when the normal rate of exchange has been re-established.

GERMAN AUSTRIA WILL GET GRAIN

Basle, Sunday, March 16—The Inter-Allied food commission conducting negotiations at Vienna has concluded a satisfactory agreement, by which German Austria will receive five convoys of grain daily by way of Trieste, according to advances from the Austrian capital. A credit of \$30,000,000 has been arranged to carry out the agreement. Herbert Hoover, chairman of the Supreme Food Council, will be charged with the administration of the agreement.

304TH TANK CORPS HOME

New York, March 17—With 2,110 troops, the steamship Patria arrived here today from Marseille. Units included the 304th Brigade Tank Corps complete, 65 officers and 1,458 men, for distribution among thirteen camps throughout the country; and six casual companies.

One officer and 184 men of the 304th Tank Brigade Corps will be sent to Camp Devens.

ONLY WILSON'S FOURTEEN POINTS TO BE ACCEPTABLE

Pershing Makes Farewell Address To 42nd Division

Inspection and Review Took Place on Left Bank of Rhine—Before Speaking Commander Awards Service Medals and Crosses.

Coblenz, March 17—(By the Associated Press)—General Pershing said good-bye to the boys of the Forty-second division yesterday. In a farewell address to the troops of the Rainbow unit, who are preparing to start for home the first week in April, the American commander-in-chief wished them all good luck in the peaceful occupations into which they will go on the other side of the Atlantic.

The inspection and review of the division took place in a great field near Remagen, on the west bank of the Rhine.

TO INVESTIGATE MILITARY LAW

Bar Association to Investigate Part Dealing With Court Martial.

New York, March 17—Secretary of War Baker has been advised of the appointment of a committee of five members of the American Bar Association "to investigate the status of the present military law relating to courts martial." This was announced by the association here today with the statement that "the committee expects to commence its work at a very early date."

The committee was appointed by George T. Page, president of the association, in accordance with resolutions adopted by its executive committee to which it will report the results of its investigation, together with recommendations. It is headed by S. S. Gregory of Chicago. The other members are Judge W. P. Murray of Greenboro, N. C.; Judge Andrew Jackson Bruce, of Bismarck, N. D.; Colonel John Hinkley of Baltimore, and Martin Conboy of New York.

QUIET PREVAILS AT TIEN-TSIN

Apparent That Minister Reinsch Attaches No Importance to Affair.

Washington, March 17—Minister Reinsch at Peking advised the State Department today that all was quiet at Tien Tsin, where there was trouble last week between American soldiers and Japanese, and that he was sending a full report of the incident by mail. The department instructed him to report all important facts by cable immediately.

The minister made no mention of the nature of the difficulty either in today's despatch or in his message Saturday reporting that he had sent First Secretary Spencer from Peking to investigate.

Associated Press despatches from Peking have described a raid by American on the Japanese consulate, in which the consul was seriously wounded; that seizure of two Americans in the French concession by Japanese military guards, and an attack by Japanese on Americans at a moving picture theatre in the French concession.

The fact that Minister Reinsch thought it unnecessary to send his responsibility cable is regarded here as indicating that he did not attach great importance in the matter.

RIOTS IN EGYPT IN TWO CITIES 22 CASUALTIES

London, March 17—There has been rioting at Tanta, Egypt, in connection with the disorders which have occurred there during the past week. On March 12 3,000 persons tried to rush a railroad station at Tanta, but the attack was frustrated by troops and 22 casualties are reported.

Rioting which has taken place in Cairo, Egypt, was due to the arrest and deportation of Said Pasha Zagloul, vice president of the legislative assembly, and others.

WILSON RESTS; SEES COL. HOUSE

Paris, Sunday, March 16—President Wilson, somewhat fatigued by his sea journey and the busy days spent since his arrival here, remained in bed until noon today. He received Colonel E. M. House in the afternoon and with him, discussed the military and naval terms of peace, as well as the results of the Brussels conference relative to shipping and the supply of food to Germany. Later he drove to St. Germain with Mrs. Wilson, returning to the White House at about seven o'clock.

Papers In \$200,000 Suit Are Filed in Court

Paris, Sunday, March 16—Presidential Receiver J. Mow Ives of the Danbury & Bethel Street Railway Co. against Republican County Leader John T. King were filed today in the Superior court. The suit is returnable to the April term. This is the suit which has already caused so much discussion. It is alleged by Receiver Ives that King failed to pay for Danbury & Bridgeport stock for which he subscribed. King will contest the case.

BUDGET OF \$520,000,000

Paris, Sunday, March 16—The budget commission of the Chamber of Deputies has decided to introduce civil budget of \$520,000,000 for the first three months of 1919.

RESUME NAVIGATION ON DANUBE

Paris, Sunday, March 16—Navigation has been resumed on the Danube River, according to despatches received here from Prague.

Erzberger Warns Further Loading Will Not Be Considered By Germany.

TO ACCEPT VOTE OF ALSACE-LORRAINE

says German People Have Unlimited Confidence in President Wilson.

Copenhagen, March 17—If the Allies loaded the Peace Treaty with conditions going beyond President Wilson's 14 points the German National Assembly would have to refuse its assent to the treaty, Matthias Erzberger, head of the German armistice commission declared in an address at a Berlin meeting in favoring the formation of a "real League of Nations," according to a despatch from the German capital today. The matter then would be left to a referendum of the German nation, he said.

Herr Erzberger disclaimed any obligation upon Germany to give compensation for acts she committed after her first peace offer in December, 1918.

He declared the only means of checking Bolshevism was the abandonment of the "mailed fist policy of the Allies."

The German people, he said, had almost unlimited confidence in President Wilson and he hoped that the League of Nations covenant as promulgated on February 14 would not be finally adopted, as he declared, it was a compromise of the ideals of President Wilson with the imperialist aspirations of some of the Allies.

The American President, Erzberger insisted, was under obligations to advocate the immediate admission of Germany to the league.

Herr Erzberger asserted that Germany was prepared to accept the vote of the League of Nations as to its future, but he referred to the aspirations of France respecting the Rhineland and to Poland's claims to Danzig as "crimes," adding: "What is German will remain German."

As far as the demands for compensation were concerned, Herr Erzberger declared that Germany would reject any demand that applied to acts committed after December, 1918, when Germany made her first peace offer. There was no moral obligation upon Germany regarding compensation aside from the case of Belgium, the speaker argued. In that case Germany would act honestly, he said.

SPAIN ENDORSES WILSON'S VIEWS

Believe Findings Submitted By Committee Will Have Great Weight.

Madrid, Sunday, March 16—(By The Associated Press)—A committee appointed by the government to study the subject of Spanish participation in the League of Nations has submitted a report which will be considered at a special cabinet meeting today or tomorrow. The government entirely endorsed President Wilson's proposals but reserves its decision as to reductions of armament and the fate of the military forces by members of the league.

It is understood that the government will ask definite assurance as to the Spanish coast line, protectorates in Africa and the suitability of military service as social discipline for Spanish youth. It is expected that this country may maintain close relations with South American nations of common race origin and language.

Spain will be represented at conferences of neutral nations at Paris by Manuel Gonzalez Hontoria a Liberal deputy of Cordoba who is an expert on foreign affairs, who leaves for Paris on Monday night. Premier Romanones also may go to Paris to attend some meetings of the neutral conference. If the political situation permits, Senator Hontoria and other members of the cabinet will be in attendance of President Wilson's ideas consider that the findings submitted to the government in its report will have peculiar weight, both because Spain is one of the leading neutral nations and because of the prestige she enjoys among Latin-American countries favoring the establishment of a League of Nations. Spain is ready to present her views to the neutral conference on military, economic and social questions, but will not discuss Morocco, considering her rights as indisputable that discussion is unnecessary.

VOLCANO IN ERUPTION

Santiago, March 17—The volcano of Calbuco, on the coast of Chile, south of Concepcion, is in eruption and the inhabitants of Castro, on an island of Chiloe, and other nearby towns are fleeing from their homes. Ashes and lava from the volcano are destroying fields and houses in the vicinity.

INCOME TAX SLACKERS TO BE ROUNDED UP

Completed returns are now supposed to be made in the Income Tax. In many cases where complexities and misunderstandings have arisen the officials have agreed to continue these special cases for a few days.